MINUTES OF THE

GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS February 9, 2007

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, February 9, 2007, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Groh, LPC Chair
Janet H. Lenard, CSW, Vice Chair
Javel Jackson, LPC
G. William Quarterman, LPC
Janet H. Lenard, CSW
Eric Groh, LPC
Jan Ligon, CSW
Patricia Harwell, MFT
Helen W. Coale, CSW
Gene T. Schrader, MFT

MEMBERS ABSENT

William Carlos Jackson, MFT

STAFF PRESENT

Becky Boyd, Executive Director Sandy Stembridge, Applications Specialist Carol White, Board Secretary Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General

GUESTS

Dawn Collinge, President LPCA
Gail Macke, Executive Director LPCA
Sue Fort, NASW
Jenny Kilgore, Student Volunteer Intern, Clayton State University

This meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:15 a.m. motion Harwell, seconded J. Jackson, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2-(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Coale, Ligon, Quarterman, Groh, Schrader and Lenard. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General, reported on the cases in the Attorney General's office.

INVESTIVATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

COMP030029	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP030030	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP060059	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP070021	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP070029	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP070031	Case closed by vote of the Board. Referred to Psychology Bd.
COMP070036	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP070037	Case closed by vote of the Board
COMP070041	Case closed by vote of the Board

OPEN SESSION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Boyd stated to the Board within the last four weeks we have received forms without the applications for LPC applicants and that when she has discussed this with the applicants they share with her that this is what they are being told, that LAPCs do not have to submit applications for licensure as LPCs. Ms. Boyd asked that if any board member or association is asked about this to please advise them that this is not correct.

Ms. Boyd led a discussion concerning early and late renewal charges for the biennial renewal periods. Ms. Boyd shared with the board that the administrative staff for this board receives complaints about this rule and that a complaint has been filed with the Governor's office and the Secretary of State's office regarding this rule. Licensees have shared with the staff that they do not understand why they are penalized with a late fee from July 1 to September 30 when the license does not expire until September 30. Ms. Boyd shared with the board that the former ED, Lee Tracy had asked the board to look at this rule and that other boards have done away with early renewals.

Members of the board discussed several reasons for not revising the current biennial renewals and Ms. Dawn Collinge, LPCA President, Gale Macke, Executive Director, LPCA and Sue Fort, Executive Director, NASW, Georgia Chapter, spoke in agreement with the Board's decision not to revise the current biennial renewal rule.

MINUTES

Motion Harwell, seconded Schrader, and motion carried, to approve the minutes as amended of the January 12, 2007 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR RULE 135-5-.01

There were no public comments made for Rule 135-5-.01

RULES REVISION

Eric Groh, Board Chair, presented Rule 135-5-.01 for adoption and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of Rule 135-5-.01 does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, and 43-10A-11.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, and 43-10-A-11 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the fields of Professional Counseling, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy.

Rule 135-5-.01 Motion Harwell, seconded Groh and motion carried to adopt the proposed rule changes.

THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

Motion Harwell, seconded Schrader and motion carried, to accept the **Marriage and Family Therapy Standards Report.**

ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

EXAM

Thomas, Kalisa	Pending
Yee, Nelda	Pending
Harris, Sunset	Pending

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

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Nguyen, Rebecca	١,	Approved
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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

EXAM WAIVER

Davis, Dallas	Approved
Davis, Dallas	110010404

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

ENDORSEMENT

Motion J. Jackson, seconded Harwell and motion carried, to accept the **Licensed Professional Counselors Standards Report.**

Motion Harwell, seconded J. Jackson and motion carried, to suspend license of Kimberly Hill.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

EXAM

LAAM	
Allen, George	Denied
Causey, Cynthia	Approved
Coney, Ebony	Approved
Cragg, Ryan	Approved
Cushing, Christina	Approved
Doughty, Fulani	Approved
Eustache, Patrice	Approved
Fleming, Vivian	Approved
Garvin, Artisetta	Denied
Graves, Courtney	Approved
Hardy, Kimberly	Approved
Hickey, Nathan	Approved
Hilbert, Sarah	Denied
Hooper, Jerome	Denied
Husted, Chad	Approved
Jackson, Antoine	Denied
Johnson, Yaka	Denied
Kelaher, Pamela	Approved
King, Malika	Approved
Lapp, Betsy	Approved
Love, Debra	Approved
Payne, Richard	Denied
Shea, Timothy	Approved
Windsor, Warren	Approved
Welbourn, Janelle	Approved
Winkler, Margie	Approved

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

EXAM WAIVER

Brannon, Nannette	Approved
Charles, Stephanie	Approved
Desnoyers, Daniell	Denied
Garmon, Judeth	Approved
Green, Angela	Approved
Hamilton, Mindi	Approved
Harvey, Patrice	Approved
Huston, Glenn	Approved
Landry, Danica	Approved
Lori, Robin	Approved
McGahee, Tara	Approved
McGregor, Celia	Approved
Merckerson, Clarence	Approved
Cochling, Laura	Approved

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT

Armstrong, Dawn	Approved
Band, Steven	Approved
Gibbs-Gordon, Andrea	Approved
Jones, Marcia	Approved
McLeod, William	Approved
Pottinger, Deborah	Approved
Richardson, Tonia	Approved
Rosovsky, Susan	Approved
Schley, Cathy	Approved

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

INTERNSHIP

ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

RENEWAL

Parramore, Charles	Denied
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LPC EXAM

Alexander, Alex	Denied
Bocchino, Danielle	Denied
Caldwell, Tina	Approved
Edge, Tammy	Approved
Goldstein-Lewis, Pamela	Denied
Heard, Zsa Zsa	Approved
Hodge, Monique	Denied
Jenkins, Shirley	Approved
McCoy, Thomas	Approved
Scott, Ruth	Denied
Slaggert, Kellye	Approved
Thompson, Alfreda	Approved
Williams, Alice	Approved

LPC EXAM WAIVER

Baldwin-Jones, Dana	Approved
Brauda, Kimberly	Approved
Brookins, Stephanie	Denied
Bunn, Herman	Approved
Darden-Arnette, Joyce	Denied
Dash, Vida	Denied

Deutsch, Kimberly	Approved
Engle-McAtee, Edith	Approved
Green, Kimberly	Approved
Greene, Elizabeth	Approved
Helms, Jennifer	Approved
Horner, Jean	Approved
Jackson, Amanda	Approved
Kincey, Ronald	Approved
King, Brenda	Denied
Lines, E. Brooks	Approved
Meck, Jennifer	Approved
Miller, Susan	Denied
Nguyen, Rebecca	Denied
Perry, Sally	Denied
Petras, George	Approved
Roth, Kimberly	Approved
Sticha, Susan	Denied
Wilensky, Jake	Approved

LPC ENDORSEMENT

Burd, Alicen	Approved
Carroll, Marty	Approved
Docuette, Tyana	Approved
Temmer, Deborah	Approved

LPC REINSTATEMENT

Fletcher, Teresa	Approved
Ray, Sandra	Approved
Wesley, Robin	Denied

Motion Harwell, seconded Schrader, and motion carried, to accept the **Social Workers Standards Report.**

MASTERS SOCIAL WORKER

EXAM

Bray, Cynthia	Approved
Ellis, Tonya	Approved
Gajewski, Mary Jo	Approved
Jenkins, Jeanelle	Approved
Kraul, Karen	Approved
Loveridge, Jill	Approved
Roby, Katurah,	Approved
Spruill, Angelique	Approved
Stennett, Catrice	Approved
Stevenson, Carolyn	Approved

Thompson, Kimberlyn	Approved
Timmons, Marquita	Approved
Veader, Donna	Approved
Walker, Maria	Approved
West, Jameca	Approved
Walker, Eboni	Approved

MSW EXAM WAIVER

Barrett, Frances	Approved
Brown, Cobren	Approved
Edwards, Christina	Approved
Lynch, Karen	Approved
McCaskill, Jessica	Approved
Moore-Brown, LaParisienne	Approved
Shipp, Amy	Approved
Threat, Candace	Approved
Williams,Mary	Approved

MSW REINSTATEMENT

Christopher, Doris	Denied
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CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER

EXAM

Allpere, Kristin	Approved
Curington, Allison	Denied
Patterson, Labrandor	Approved
Could, Elizabeth	Denied
Greene, Patti	Approved
Healy, Dawn	Approved
Hill, Frances	Approved
Hughes, Cheryl	Approved
Jenkins, James	Approved
Johnson, Josephine	Approved
Maxwell, Lee	Approved
McCarty, LaTesha	Denied
Milsap, Brenda	Approved
Morelon, Yvette	Approved
Schlenke, Colleen	Approved

CSW EXAM WAIVER

Bower-Wagner, Kimberlie	Approved
Case, Barbara	Approved
Evans, Laurie	Denied
Fischer, Karl	Approved
Hagen, Debrah	Approved

McCoy, LaTonya	Denied
Nicholson, Sherilee	Denied
Schimp, Nancy	Approved
Steppe, Daniel	Approved
VanSteenbergh, Susan	Approved
Zehnder, Cynthia	Denied

CSW REINSTATEMENT

Allen, Heather	Approved
Allen, Heather	Approved

CSW REACTIVATION

Seybolt, Lynn	Approved
Beyout, Eynn	11010104

VOTE ON INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Motion Coale, seconded Harwell and motion carried, to accept the report of the Investigations Committee.

Coale abstained from the vote on COMP030029 and COMP030030.

VOTE ON THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT

Motion Lenard, seconded Schrader and motion carried, to accept the report of the Assistant Attorney General.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Quarterman, seconded Schrader and motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Eric Groh, LPC, Chair GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Becky Boyd, Executive Director PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

Minutes approved March 9, 2007.

Recorded and prepared by Carol White, Board Secretary, and Sandy Stembridge, Applications Specialist.

Edited by Becky Boyd, Executive Director.

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